

May 28, 1986

Dear Schutzites:

Not many days left until commencement. And commencement this year will be somewhat different. No native American is in the senior class. All the class is Muslim. The program begins at 8:30 pm. It will be held in the garden of the Consul General's Residence which we have done before. But because it is there this year, we have to produce a "guest list" and people will be checked off and searched before being permitted in. The seniors wanted as their speaker the Arab prince astronaut who is a cousin of two of the seniors. They may have failed to write him for he hasn't responded. Maybe he will just show up. But the plan now is that seniors will make their own speeches. Interesting.

We are now trying to count noses for next year. It isn't easy. We are rather sure of 25 Japanese children. We are counting on 25 Swedish students all of whom (but one) will be in our "Swedish School" section with their own teacher furnished by the Swedish government. This year most of the Swedes have been in our regular classes but after Christmas their government sent a teacher and so now most will join the Swedish classes which are free to them. We think we might have 30 Americans! Enrollment is expected to be more than 175. Our staff is still sufficient and good. All will go well.

We now have more and more Schutz information on computer discs. What to do with it all? We know that we have 2111 students and former students on our list -- mostly are just names although they have all been placed in the proper "Class of _____" whether or not they ever made it into our secondary section. Our mailing list is not very complete. That is the problem that all alumni offices seem to have. Please tell your old buddies to get in touch with Jean Stultz, 326 Lincoln Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15237

The accident of Ann and Kathy has brought in many nice letters - tragedy does draw people together. You will be interested to hear that two palm trees have been planted in their memory in the lower garden by the auditorium entrance. Beginning this year an award of \$500 will be given to a senior who has shown a spirit of service in the school and/or community. This will be an ongoing award. A committee is now at work designing a service project for the surrounding Schutz district in which Schutz related people can participate in helping others. More about that later.

Do try to come to the reunion this summer. Remember, the older you get the more fun it is!

George W. Meloy

